

VACCINE POINTS

"Vaccine Points" is a bi-monthly communication distributed by the Hawaii Department of Health to all participating Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers.

Test your vaccine knowledge.

Question: Which of the following statements is/are correct? Select all that apply.

- a) Rotavirus is most commonly spread through contact with infected animals
- b) Symptoms of rotavirus are likely to appear within 3 – 7 days of exposure
- c) Before a vaccine was available, approximately 50% of U.S. children had been infected with rotavirus before age 5 years
- d) In the pre-vaccine era, rotavirus infection was highest in children >35 months of age
- e) All of the statements are correct
- f) None of the statements are correct

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5802.pdf>

Prevention of Rotavirus Gastroenteritis Among Infants and Children. Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP):

Source:

- Rotavirus infected almost all children by age 5 years
- Severe dehydrating gastroenteritis caused by rotavirus occurred primarily among children aged 4 – 23 months

In the prevaccine era:

The estimated incubation period for rotavirus diarrheal illness is <48 hours.

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f) None of the statements are correct

Answer:

